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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

This letter is in response to your petition to dismantle critical components of the 1996 Telecommunications Act, disabling competition and eradicating consumer choice.

I have chosen a competitive and regional provider because this provider uses fiber, not DSL. Further this provider's services include a VOIP telephone number. The DSL provider I previously used was not only more expensive but gave me no VOIP phone. I used to have to pay for a landline. My savings from this change amount to \$50 per month. Finally, that same previous provider is, unfortunately, one of those giant telecoms that opposed net neutrality and continues to fight against California's quest for net neutrality.

Having broadband is critical to my home-based business. I need fast access when I communicate with one of my customers. Further, I take on-line college-level courses, which allows me to engage in continuous education.

Thank you for reading this letter.

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